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PINKHAM & CLEVERLY.

The Pinkham  
Electric Gas Lighting  
Company

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The Pinkham  
Electric Gas Lighting  
Company

No. 1018 Chestnut Street  
Philadelphia



## To The Public.

*The character of our especial enterprise, and its great value, has become so well known in the community, that the idea of its being an experiment has long since past. Our system of lighting gas by means of electricity, has become popular in the residences of too many well-known citizens, to be regarded in any doubtful light. Being the pioneers of this system in the city, we have introduced it into nineteen-twentieths of all the houses thus far that have adopted its use.*

*In the early days of its introduction, it was but natural that some mistakes should occur, as skilled and experienced electricians, in this branch of the science, could not be obtained at any price; careful investigation and study, with a resolute determination to remedy all defects has been rewarded with success, until now we are producing a system absolutely perfect.*

*We have employed the best skill and experience obtainable; devoted great care, and much time and expense in the development of our system and bringing it to its present high state of perfection.*

*We have also in our employ the very best mechanical experts, engaged in the manufacture of our goods, which enables us to produce the most perfectly constructed burners, and other specialties in our line, that human ingenuity can devise.*

*Attempts have been made by amateurs and others, to engage in the business of Gas Lighting, but their work has generally proved unsatisfactory and annoying; the tendency of such work is to bring doubt and discredit upon the system. It will prove a safeguard to those who contemplate the introduction of this system into their houses, to consider whether they wish to employ such inefficient means to do such important work.*

*Unreliable electric gas burners have appeared on the market, which are being picked up by the unwary, who, from inexperience in such matters, attempt to use them, and for a brief period may use them, but they soon utterly fail in good work, and disgust follows. Good goods like good money only can be relied on.*

*Our long experience in this profession enables us to accomplish the best results yet attained in Electric Gas Lighting.*

*We have, by persistent effort, built up and established a permanent and reliable business, entirely responsible. We can be depended on to serve our patrons cheerfully at all times, and can always be found at our office ready to respond to any call for **New Work**, or to correct accidents or failures in that which is already in use.*

*Our show room will be interesting to those who wish to examine the system, and see its great advantages.*

PINKHAM & CLEVERLY.

May 23, 1884.



**THE PINKHAM ELECTRIC**  
**Gas Lighting Company.**  
 BURGLAR ALARMS & CALL BELLS  
 office 1018 Chestnut St.  
 PHILADELPHIA.  
 PINKHAM & CLEVERLY,  
 Proprietors.

PENDANT

THE AUTOMATIC

## The Lighting of Gas by Electricity.

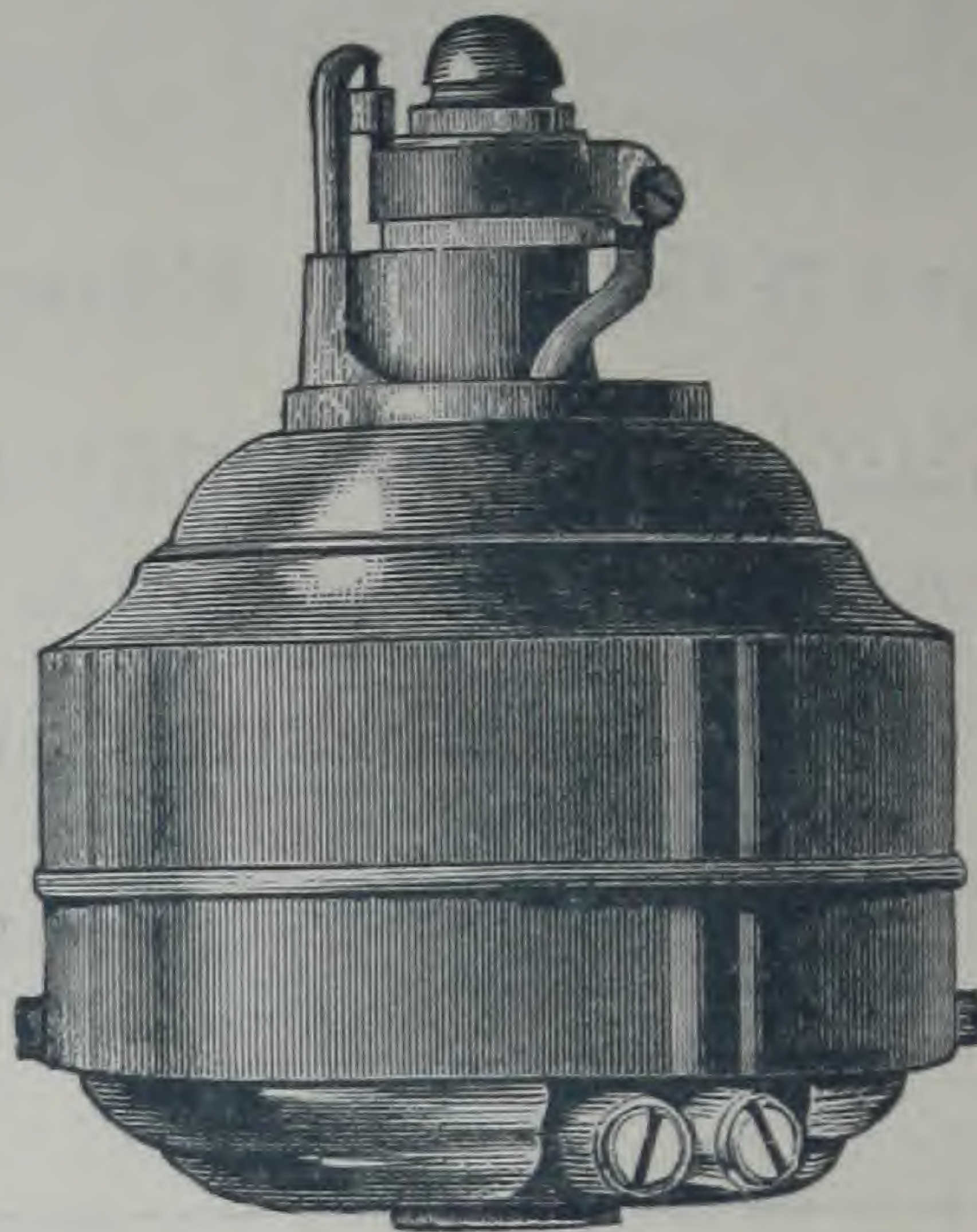
Nearly four years ago we introduced in this city our system of lighting gas by electricity, since which time it has steadily grown in popularity, attracting the attention of men interested in the advancement of science, who, seeing its merits, have adopted it, until we are enabled to refer to hundreds who are using THE PINKHAM ELECTRIC GAS LIGHTING SYSTEM in their homes to their great satisfaction.

The advantages derived from this system of Gas Lighting are many.

1. It saves gas, inasmuch as, by being enabled to light or extinguish it without trouble at the moment it is wanted, there is no necessity for its being lighted in advance of wants.
2. It saves the risk of fires by the careless use of matches.
3. It saves smoky chimneys and globes, and the great annoyance of burnt ends and stumps of matches being scattered over the carpets, or lying loosely about on the furniture and mantels.
4. It saves the annoyance of calling the servants to light the gas, or stepping on a chair or stool to enable you to light it whenever the sudden occasion arises for its use.
5. In times of sickness, the occasion is not infrequent when a sudden light is of great importance and convenience.
6. In passing from one room to another through the house, the fact of being enabled to light the gas in advance, by simply pressing a push button, is of great convenience and satisfaction, and most especially is it so in these times of midnight marauders, when sudden emergencies arise that an instantaneous light is of the greatest importance.

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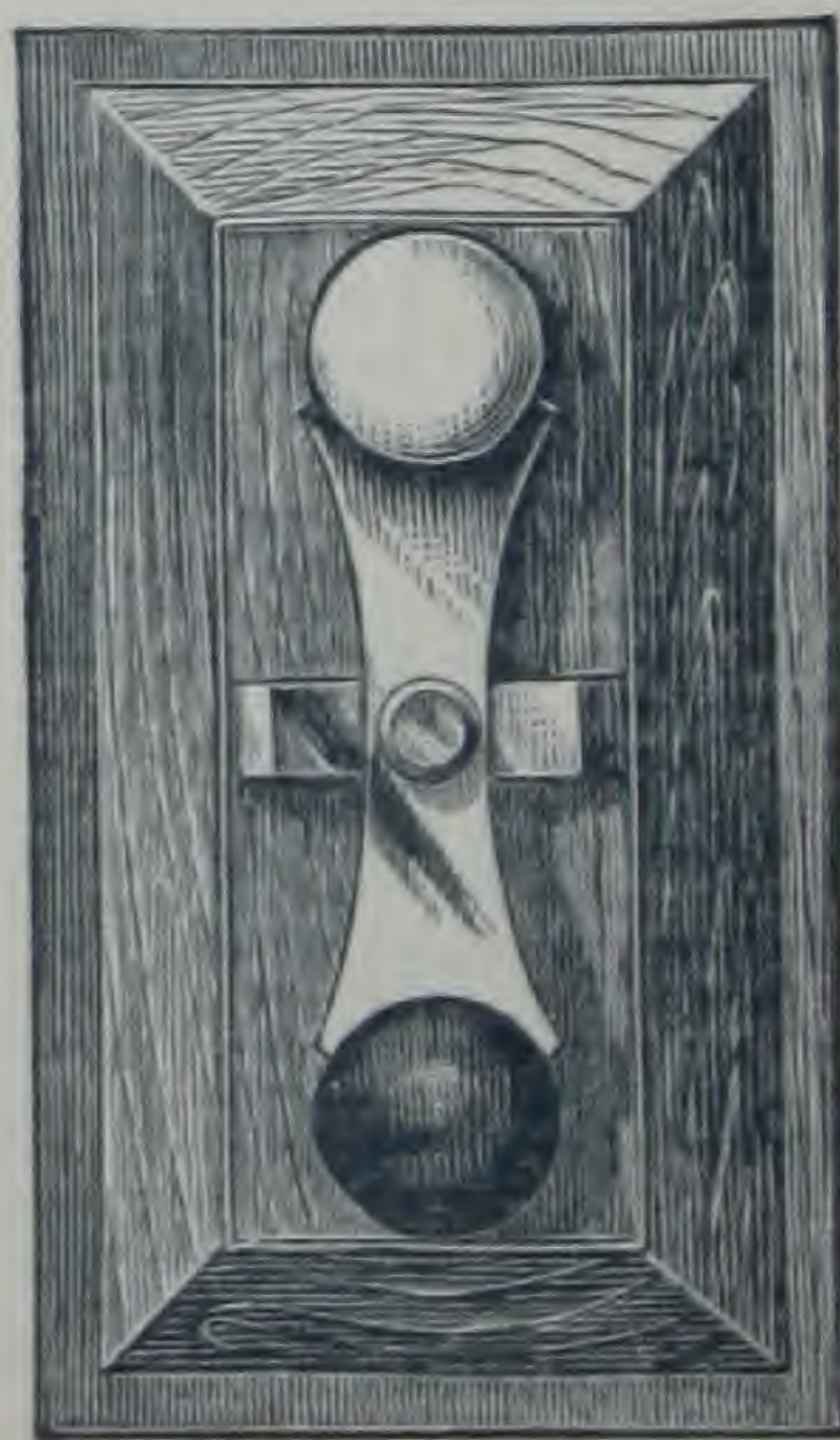




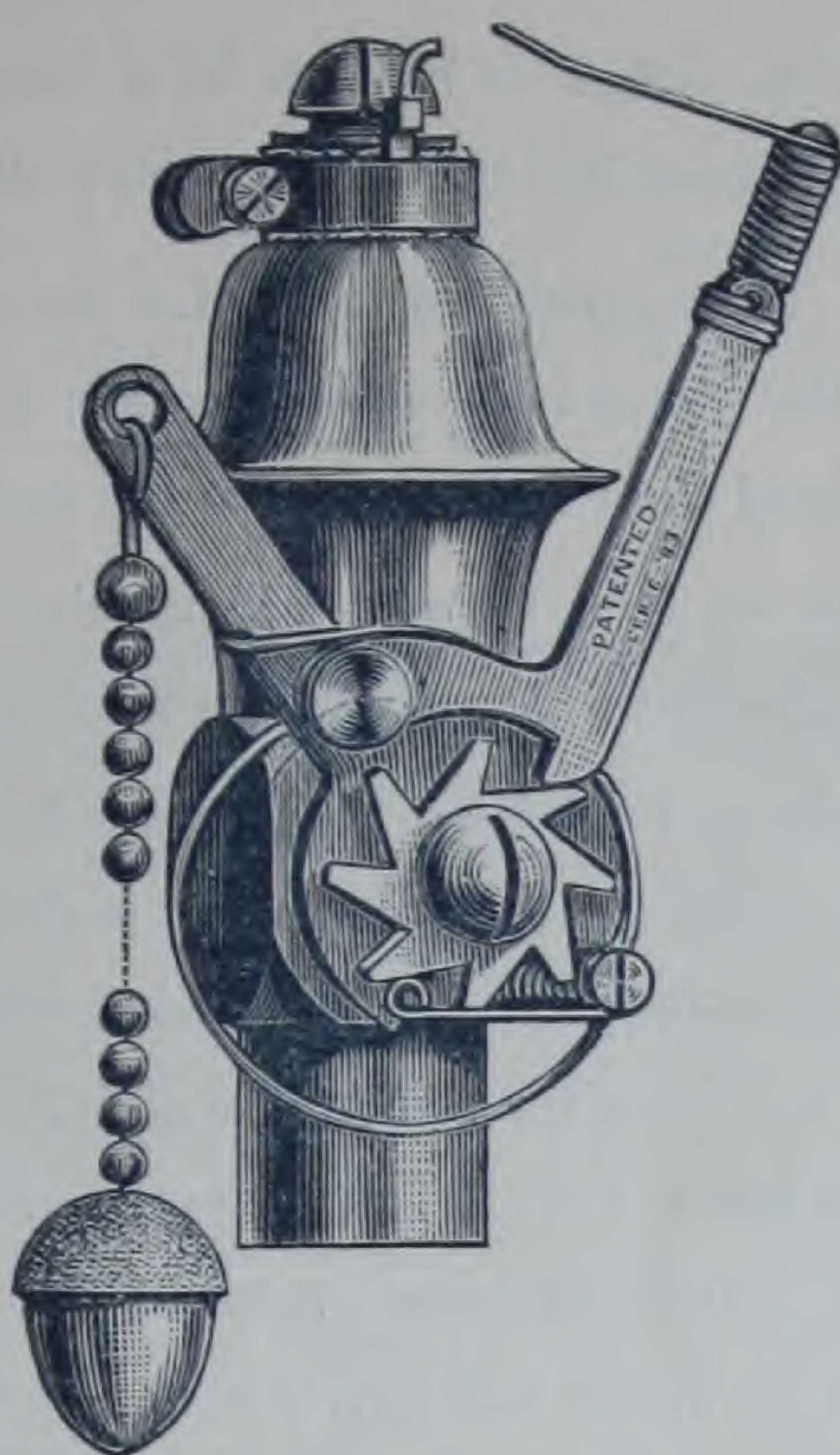
The Automatic Burner accomplishes this.

In the distribution of our burners through the house, we usually place the AUTOMATIC burners in the following locations, viz.: One in the hall, one in the parlor, one in dining-room, one in second-story hall, one in sitting-room, one in family chamber, one in third-story hall, and one in the cellar.

Each of these burners can be lighted from one or more points in the house. For instance, the hall burner can be readily lighted from the hall, say near the parlor door, and the same burner can be extinguished







from the family chamber. The second-story hall burner may also be lighted from the entrance hall, and also the one in the family chamber, thus lighting the way up, and on arriving in the chamber, all may be shut off, or such as the occupant may desire ; and, again, any or all may be lighted from the same point instantly by pressing the several push buttons located there.

We seldom use more than eight or ten automatic burners in an ordinary dwelling-house, although we sometimes light an entire chandelier with the automatic burners, and in some houses we have used none others but automatics.



The Pendant Burners are more generally distributed through the house, because they serve every purpose in connection with the Automatic Burners, and are less expensive. They are operated by the gentle pull of a chain, which is attached to an arm or spring with an ornamental *acorn* or *glass-ball* (as the case may be) attached to the end of the chain. This style of burner gives *universal* satisfaction.

We also use, or light, the *candle burner* and the *argand*, just as readily—the latter is more frequently used as a stand-lamp,



connected with the chandelier or bracket by a hose-pipe ; yet we have no trouble in lighting them just as readily as any other.

We also use a Thumbcock Burner which serves a fine purpose in some localities in the house : for when the gas is turned on by the thumbcock, it is lighted electrically by the same operation.

We manufacture our own burners and appliances, and can readily adapt them to the style and finish of the fixtures to be lighted.

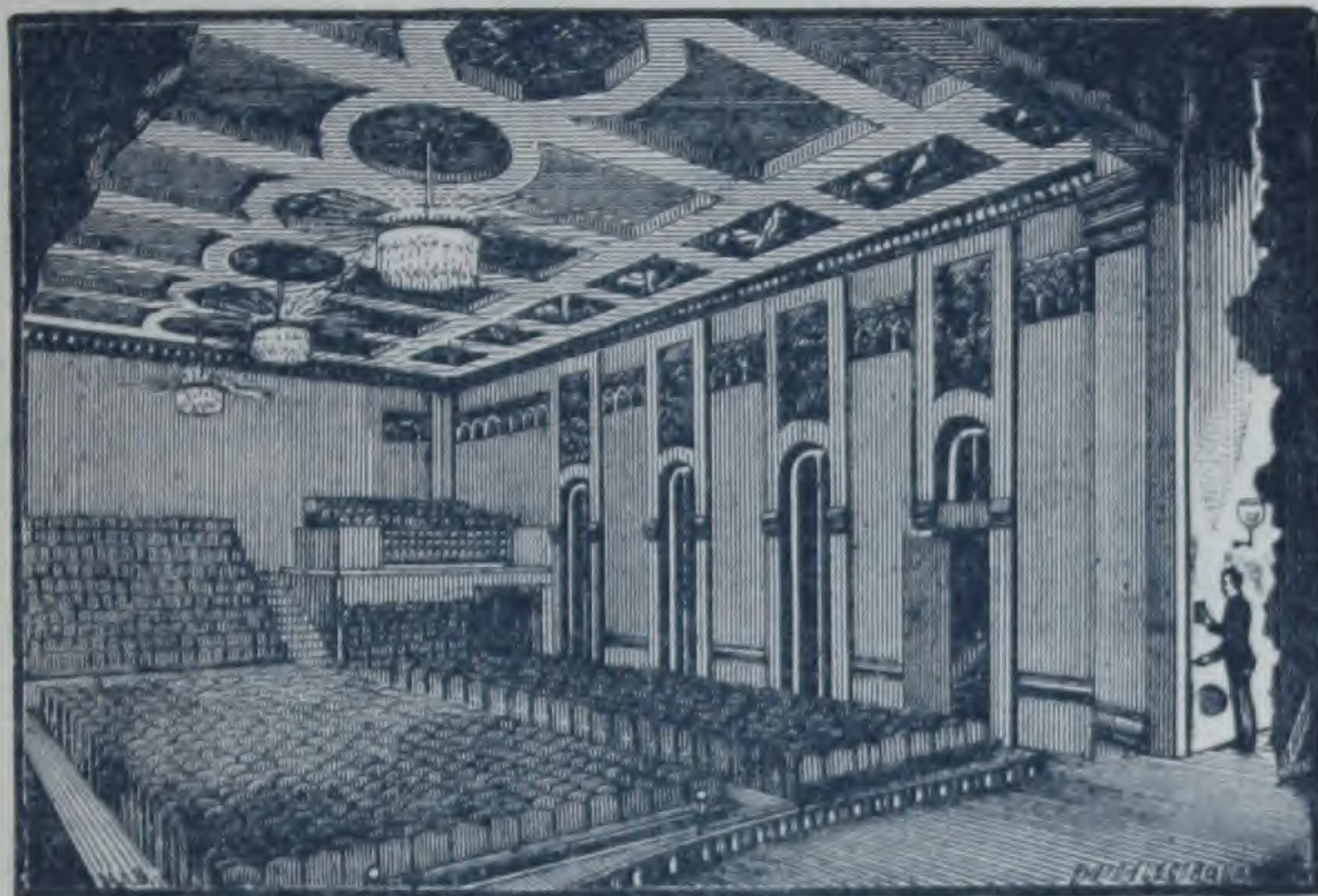
We are almost daily in receipt of letters from those using our system in their houses, speaking in high terms of praise and satisfaction, a number of which we have been permitted to publish in this circular. We believe all who are using the system are greatly pleased with it, and often speak in strong terms of praise. One gentleman recently remarked that, "next to his water privileges came his electric gas lighting." Another said that "he would not part with it for five times its cost." Yet another, "I have nothing in my house, of equal cost, that affords me so much satisfaction."

There is a general apprehension among those who have not yet adopted our system, that to do so would involve the taking up of carpets, and perhaps floors, in the house, as also the scratching or defacing of the walls or ceilings, and the running of the wires upon the walls or ceilings, which would be unseemly, and creating a general disturbance, dust and dirt.

We are happy to be enabled to say that nothing of the sort occurs. We seldom disturb carpets, and when we do, it is but a very little, and they are always replaced and left as we find them, without calling for the servants to brush and clean up, as but very little dust or dirt is made, and is immediately cleaned up by our own men. The ceilings or walls are not scratched or marred, and yet the wires are completely hidden from view. Very many people wonder how we have got along with our wiring through the house, so nicely, without creating more dust and dirt. Many have said, after the work was done and job completed, that except for the presence of our men, they would hardly have known they were in the house. Even the fixtures are not disfigured with wires, as they are fine, and generally run beneath the shell or ornamentation.



Our workmen are gentlemanly, and in no sense rude or careless ; they are skilled and trained in this business, will always be found courteous and polite, and in their right place. We confidently believe that, wherever they work, they will try to do themselves and their employers credit.



Lighting Chandeliers of a Theatre from the Stage.





## Permanency of the System.

We are often asked about the permanency of the system. In reply, we feel justified in saying that it has come to stay as long as gas is used. We have no more doubt of its permanency than we have of the permanency of the gas works.

We have endeavored to make and apply every improvement to our burners that the best skill and experience can suggest, as well as to the method of running wires through the house.

We have applied the system in nearly all the Trust Company's vaults in this city, and they have come to regard it as a necessity; the saving of gas, as well as heated vaults, is an item of great importance.

It has been adopted by several large stables, also private stables; among the public stables are the Adams Express Company, Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Express, and Union Transfer Company's stables.



The above cut represents the entrance hall of a dwelling-house. The two rascals, as seen in the hall, have been through the house and in the sleeping-room of the proprietor, himself and wife being cognizant of their presence, but feigned sleep until after they had left the room. Then quietly getting out of bed, and securing a pistol which the burglars

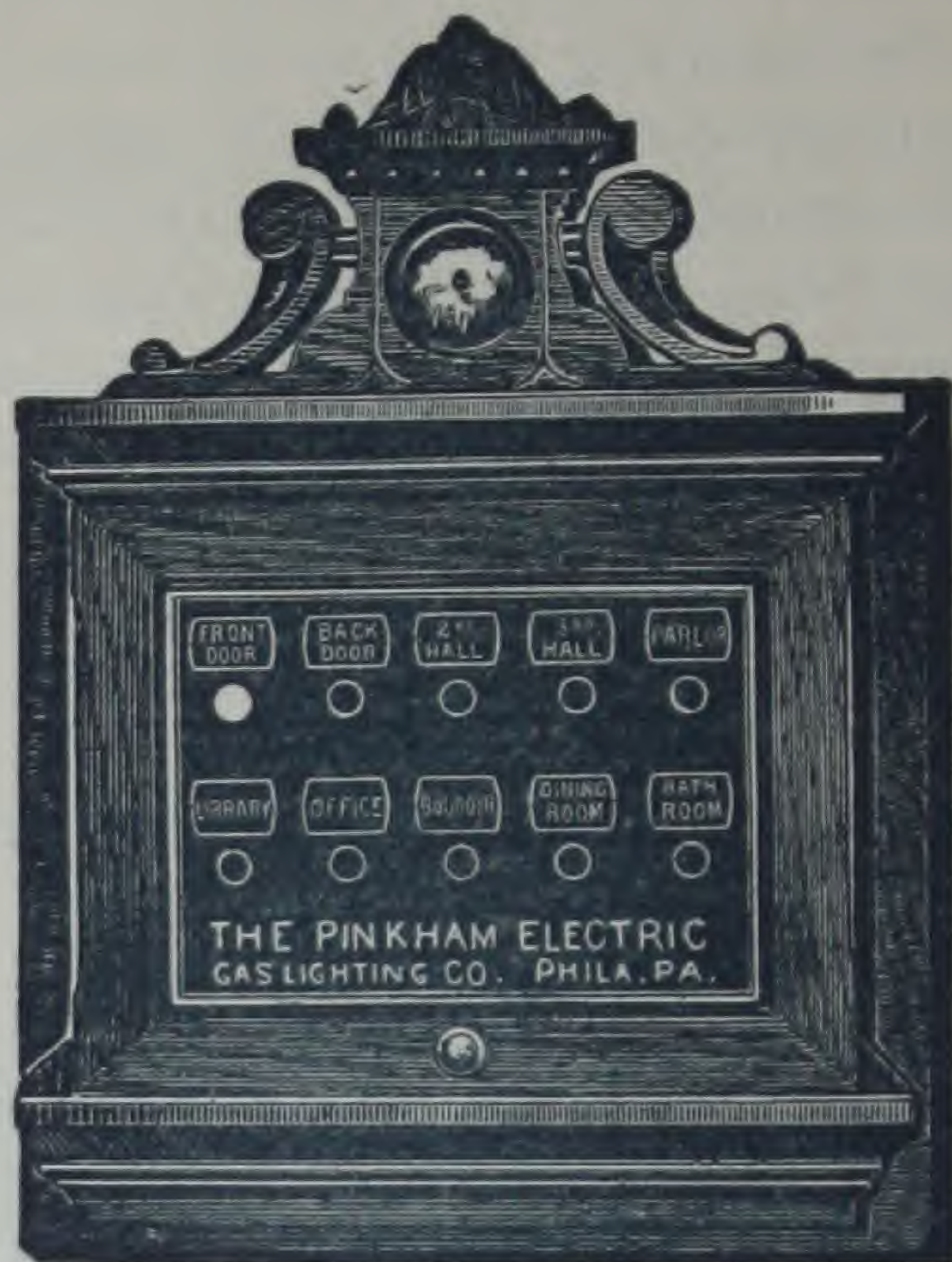


had not found, he deftly reconnoitred the situation, and soon discovered them as shown. He immediately placed his left hand back on a push button, and instantly lighted the gas in the hall ; and bringing his pistol to bear on them, threatened them with instant death if they moved hand or foot. The family being aroused, they were taken prisoners on the spot. Thus this method of lighting became a burglar arrester. Several instances, in this city, have occurred where burglars have been foiled in their attempts at house-breaking by this system.

We light the lanterns in driveways.

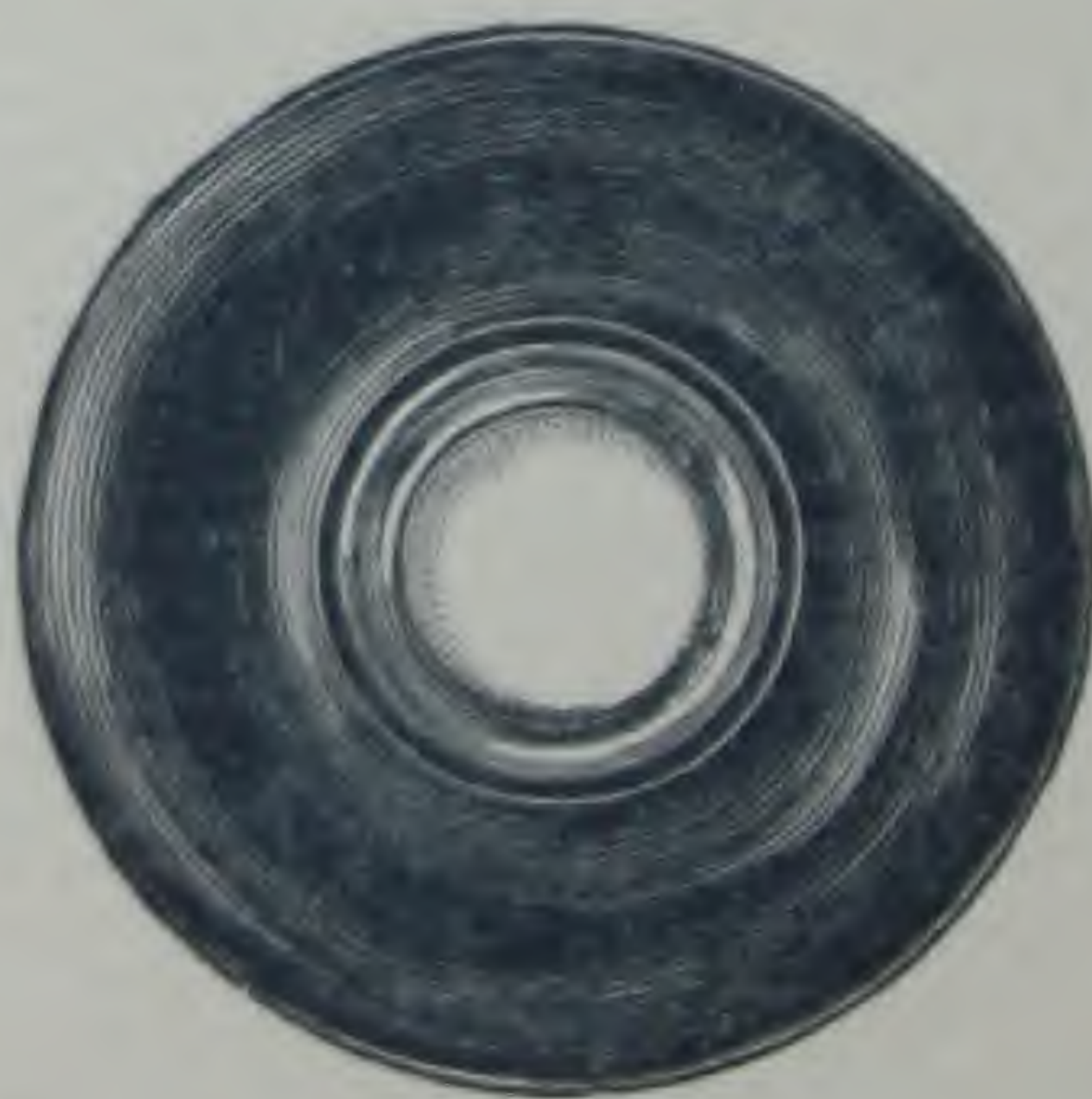






## Electric Call-Bells,

having become a necessity in modern dwellings, are so well understood and appreciated, that but little need be said here in explanation of the system. It seems eminently proper, however, for us to say that this branch of electrical science receives our special attention in connection with the other branches already mentioned. None but those who have enjoyed the convenience and comforts of our system can appreciate its merits. Our *Annunciators* for this purpose are not excelled by any other makes, either for the perfection of their work or the style and beauty of finish.



We are manufacturing the finest display of elegant, unique, and novel designs in Push Buttons of any who have undertaken such work.





We have almost every description of bells, finely finished in nickel-plate or polished brass, such as Monitor Bells, Tea Bells, Cow Bells, Sleigh Bells, Wooden Bells and Gongs. We furnish them in continuous ringers or single stroke as desired; also Buzzers of different capacity.

In the employment of electricians in this department, we have exercised great care, as the fitting up of houses with electrical calls requires skill, judgment and taste. We have generally educated our workmen, and employ only men of intelligence and unexceptionable character.

Many years' experience in the several branches of electrical science here represented, gives our patrons assurance of as good work as the best skill and ingenuity can devise.

We would also say, that almost any requirements in the range of electrical appliances we are prepared to undertake.







## Burglar Alarms.

The value of a complete system of Burglar Alarms can hardly be overestimated as a protection to life and property. The necessity for such protection is rapidly growing every day, and the careful man will always try to find *the best*.

There are several very popular makes in the market, and it might not seem quite modest in us to say that we have the best, yet we believe it all the same; and, with due regard to truth, we believe that all who are contemplating the introduction of a reliable alarm can do no better (if as well) than to give their order to us, for the following reasons, viz.:

1. They are ever prompt in action, giving instant and unmistakable alarm at the lightest attempt to effect an entrance.
2. They instantly locate the point of attack, so that the occupant may understand how to prepare to thwart the purpose of the intruder.
3. The alarm may be set so as to protect any portion of the house, during the day or evening, and the doors and windows required to be used are not in circuit until the occupant desires to close up for the night. This is done by means of a switch.



4. The entire house may be connected or disconnected at will.

5. Windows may at any time be left open sufficiently for ventilation, and if disturbed or moved from the position an alarm will instantly be given.

6. The Alarm Bell may be located, if desired, in any other part of the house than where the Indicator is.

7. When the alarm is given, the ringing is continuous until switched off.

8. These *alarms*, and the whole system, are placed in the best finished dwellings without defacing any portion of them, or disturbing the occupants. Not a wire to be seen, and yet not a scratch or mark is visible.

9. A heavy-sounding gong can be placed in the second hall, so that the inmates throughout the house will be awakened in case an attempt is made to enter.

10. When switched on, should a window be raised, or door opened, the bell rings, and although the window or door be immediately closed, the ringing will continue until switched off at the instrument.

11. Having in our employ skilled electricians, tried and trusted, we guarantee all our work to be first class and satisfactory.

12. Our prices are reasonable and uniform.

To all who are contemplating the introduction of a Burglar Alarm, we unhesitatingly say that with our perfectly constructed alarm, and improved method of running wires, with the best spring connections that science and skill can devise, we offer the fullest assurance of absolute protection from the marauder.



## Testimonials.

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CENTENNIAL NATIONAL BANK.

E. A. ROLLINS, President.

H. M. LUTZ, Cashier.

PHILADELPHIA, March 8, 1882.

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to your inquiry, I would say that the Electric Gas Lighting apparatus, which you placed in my house some six months ago, is behaving itself in a way well fitted to secure my confidence and regard, and if it were out of the house to-day I should be willing to pay for its early return. I like it. Yours truly,

E. A. ROLLINS.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

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THE PHILADELPHIA TRUST, SAFE DEPOSIT, AND INS. CO.

PHILADELPHIA, February 2, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Having tried in the vaults of our Company your method of lighting gas by electricity, we are able and glad to say that it gives entire satisfaction, and is an improvement which we would not now dispense with.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Du BOIS,  
Treasurer.

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THE FIDELITY INSURANCE, TRUST, AND SAFE DEPOSIT CO.

PHILADELPHIA, February 2, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—It affords me pleasure to testify to the great convenience experienced by us in the use of the "Electric Gas Lighting" apparatus which you furnished us in the vaults of this Company. Before its introduction we kept burning constantly in our vaults ten gas-burners, which tended greatly to vitiate the air and decompose the paint. These facts, together with the unpleasant feature of the heat, were always objectionable, which have been greatly overcome by the use of electric-lighting principle.

Our experience shows that a severer test of its convenience and practicability could not possibly be had, as the operation of lighting and shutting off the gas exceeds one hundred thousand times in a year. It affords me pleasure to give you this certificate of approval, and recommend its general introduction.

Very truly yours,

G. S. CLARK,  
Safe Superintendent.

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CORNELIUS & CO., MANUFACTURERS OF ARTISTIC GAS FIXTURES,  
1332 Chestnut Street.

PHILADELPHIA, February 27, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—It gives us pleasure to be able to report to you the very satisfactory manner in which you have succeeded in lighting by electricity a number of gas-burners in our store. We feel that we can recommend the work as being all that you claim for it, and feel confident that in all large public buildings and fine private residences, its use will become universal.

Yours truly,

CORNELIUS & CO.



HARTFORD STEAM-BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE CO.,  
CORBIN & GOODRICH, GENERAL AGENTS, 430 WALNUT STREET,

PHILADELPHIA, January 23, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I am pleased to say to you that I have used your method of lighting gas by electricity in my house, 1734 Spring Garden Street, for more than a year, with entire satisfaction. I do not hesitate to recommend it as a most desirable addition to the comforts of any well-appointed home. It is no more liable to get out of order than any of the ordinary appliances about the house. It has not been out of use twenty-four hours altogether since it was put in. We consider it invaluable, both on account of its convenience and safety, it having entirely done away with the use of matches. We have not used a match in the house for eight months. The system must meet with general favor, as it needs only to be tried to be appreciated. You can refer to my house or to myself personally at any time.

Yours truly,

E. A. CORBIN.

BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS,  
BURNHAM, PARRY, WILLIAMS & CO.

PHILADELPHIA, February 28, 1882.

The apparatus you furnished for lighting gas in my house by electricity answers its purpose thoroughly, and, after a month's use, proves satisfactory in every particular.

Yours truly,

GEO. BURNHAM.

*To the Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your system of lighting gas by electricity has been in use for over six months at my house with full satisfaction. It is positive and instantaneous in action, cleanly, avoids danger from fire by partially burned matches, and dispenses with the necessity of keeping a number of burners continually lighted.

Very truly yours,

STEPHEN GREENE,  
1812 Green Street.

HARTFORD STEAM-BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE CO.,  
CORBIN & GOODRICH, GENERAL AGENTS, 430 WALNUT STREET.

PHILADELPHIA, February 28, 1882.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I can unhesitatingly say that your apparatus for lighting gas by electricity, which I have in use at my house, gives complete satisfaction. I know of no improvement about a dwelling that gives greater convenience and comfort, and it seems to me that no one who has tried it would be willing to return to the old method of lighting.

Very respectfully yours,

H. G. GOODRICH.  
House, 2028 Wallace Street.

JOHN B. STETSON & CO., FINE FUR, SOFT & STIFF FELT HAT MANUFACTURERS,  
New York Salesroom, 546 Broadway.  
1746-62 North Fourth Street.

PHILADELPHIA, August 27, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Yours of the 21st inst. is at hand. The Electric Gas Lighting put in by you, is the most satisfactory improvement made to my house.

The convenience experienced from it is ample compensation for the expenditure.

Very truly yours,

HENRY H. ROELOFS.



ZEIGLER BROTHERS, MANUFACTURERS OF GENTS', LADIES', MISSES', CHILDREN'S & INFANTS'  
BOOTS AND SHOES.

117, 119 & 121 North Fifth Street (above Arch).

PHILADELPHIA, September 12, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have been using your system of Electric Gas Lighting (both Pendant and Automatic) in my residence, 1729 Spring Garden Street, for the last eighteen months, with entire satisfaction.

I regard it one of the greatest conveniences I have in my house, and would not consent to its removal for twice the cost of introduction.

Yours truly,

JOHN J. ZIEGLER.

LAW OFFICES OF JOSEPH LEEDOM,  
No. 907 Walnut Street.

PHILADELPHIA, March 8, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I am very much pleased with the workings of your electric attachments for lighting the gas, and do not hesitate to let you know it. Its advantages are manifest at once upon a trial.

I light the cellar and different stories every night just before retiring, and can see in a few moments that everything is secure all over the house. The vestibule and cellar attachments are exceedingly convenient. Indeed, I do not think it needs a recommendation, as its merits are evident at a glance.

Having tested its merits I know I would not want to be without it.

Yours very respectfully,

JOSEPH LEEDOM,  
216 W. Rittenhouse Square.

OFFICE OF WM. L. ELKINS & CO., REFINERS OF PETROLEUM,  
No. 125 Arch Street.

PHILADELPHIA, April 3, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—It has been nearly two years since you introduced your system of Electric Gas Lighting into my residence at Broad and Stiles Streets, and I am pleased to say that it has proved satisfactory in every respect.

Very truly yours,

W. L. ELKINS.

PHILADELPHIA, May 20, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Having had your system of Electric Lighting in use in my house at Merion Station, P. R. R., for about a year, I take pleasure in informing you that it has worked exceedingly well, and given me satisfaction. We have found this method of lighting so great a convenience that we consider it now almost a necessity.

Yours very truly,

LINCOLN GODFREY.

REDLEAF.

WYNNEWOOD, PA., April 11, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Pinkham system of lighting gas by electricity I have had in use for two years, and can say I would not like to be without it. As I live in the country and use gasoline gas, there were many doubts expressed as to its working satisfactorily, but all doubts of this kind are at an end, for its perfect success is beyond question, and I cheerfully recommend it as one of the things that no well-organized household should be without.

Very truly yours,

WM. P. HENSZEY.



HENRY VAN BEIL & Co., IMPORTERS,  
1310 Chestnut Street.

PHILADELPHIA, July 31, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—In reply to yours, I would say that your Electric Lighting apparatus seems to me a necessity in every well-appointed household.

I also feel impelled to say a word in favor of your employees. Those who put the apparatus in my house, were quiet and gentlemanly in their manner, winning the good opinion of the family.

Very truly yours,

HENRY VAN BEIL.

1525 Walnut Street.

PHILADELPHIA, September 11, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—In reply to your note of yesterday I am glad to say, the Electric Lighting in our house is working satisfactorily. After a year's experience, we unhesitatingly pronounce it a great comfort and convenience, and we should be very unwilling to do without it.

Very truly yours,

D. D. SMITH.

DANIEL S. DENGLER, WHOLESALE DEALER IN FRUITS, NUTS AND CONFECTIONERS' SUPPLIES,  
110 Market Street.

PHILADELPHIA, April 11, 1884.

*The Finkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—It affords me great pleasure to acknowledge an entire satisfaction of your system of gas lighting, the source of comfort and convenience with it has been so great during the past year, both at my store and residence, that I would under no circumstances do without it.

At my store it has been a great saving of gas, and can always be made so by judicious management.

Yours respectfully,

DANIEL S. DENGLER.

OFFICE OF F. H. KEITH, BOOT AND SHOE MACHINERY DEPOT,  
No. 17 South Fourth Street.

PHILADELPHIA, July 31, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—In reply to your question how I like the Electric Gas-lighting placed in my house, 845 North Broad Street, by your company, I can say that I know of nothing that would induce me to part with or do without it.

I consider it the greatest improvement of these modern times. I have used it now about one year with the utmost success and satisfaction, and can cheerfully recommend it to all that wish to do away with matches.

Very respectfully yours,

F. H. KEITH.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—We are very much pleased with your arrangement of Electric Gas Lighting in our house. Since its introduction, we are enabled to light the gas in our principal rooms on each floor previous to entering them. We are also able to extinguish and light the gas in various parts of our house after retiring, causing a feeling of great security. Its safety cannot be too highly spoken of, as since its introduction we have no further use for matches. We also find an economy in gas, as it is immediately extinguished upon leaving a room and not left burning for further use.

Respectfully yours,

M. FLEISHER,  
2223 Green Street.



OVERBROOK, August 14, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—You wish to know if the system of lighting and extinguishing gas, which you introduced into my house at Overbrook, is giving satisfaction. I am happy to state that it is entirely so. It is a convenience we should be unwilling to part with after using it these four months. The value of your Automatic Burners, as well as the Pendants, can hardly be estimated.

F. GODEY.

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BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, BURNHAM, PARRY, WILLIAMS & Co.

PHILADELPHIA, August 29, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have had in use for the past two years your system for lighting city gas by electricity, and am much pleased with the result. I find it to be a great convenience, and believe that it can also be made a decided economy. It has given me no appreciable trouble to keep it in order, and you have always promptly responded to the few calls which I have found it necessary to make upon you for attention to the appliance. It gives me pleasure also to testify to the courtesy and unobtrusive behavior of your employees, who have arranged the system in my house, and given it necessary attention from time to time.

Very truly yours,

JOHN H. CONVERSE.

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233 South Fourth Street.

PHILADELPHIA, December 5, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—After a year's use of your system of Electric Gas Lighting at my residence, No. 1439 Walnut Street, I can say that it has given entire satisfaction. It has proven to be of the greatest convenience. It will give me pleasure to have you refer to me to recommend the merits of your system. I want to say a word in behalf of your employees who have been at my house. Their civil deportment and the quiet, efficient way they have attended to their work deserves the highest commendation.

Yours truly,

EDMUND A. SMITH.

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PHILADELPHIA, April 28, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I consider your system of Electric Gas Lighting a perfect success. Having had it in operation more than a year it has become one of the necessities, and matches are scarce with us.

Yours truly,

M. POWEL,  
233 North 18th Street.

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HOOPES & TOWNSEND,  
MANUFACTURERS OF BOLTS, COLD PUNCHED NUTS, WASHERS, ETC.

PHILADELPHIA, August 30, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—We are in receipt of yours of 30th inst., asking our opinion of your system of Electric Lighting; would say, that it is in use at the residence of our senior partner, our stables, and at our works, and gives satisfaction.

Very truly,

HOOPES & TOWNSEND.



PHILADELPHIA, August 22, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your system of Electric Gas Lighting was introduced into my house nearly a year ago. It has given me entire satisfaction, and so have I said to all who have spoken to me about it. In my opinion, there are few greater conveniences in a house than it.

Yours,

C. C. RHODES,  
1511 Girard Avenue.

OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY,  
Eighth and Dauphin Streets.

PHILADELPHIA, July 17, 1883.

*The Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co., Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to your favor of the 14th inst., asking me whether I am satisfied with the working of the apparatus which you applied to the burners of some of the chandeliers in my house, I beg to say I am; so much so that I would not have them removed for four times the amount it cost to put them in. I am,

Yours most truly,

C. J. HARRAH.

HENRY R. EDMUNDS, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
No. 425 Walnut Street.

PHILADELPHIA, June 6, 1884.

*Pinkham Electric Light Co.*

I have had your system of electric lighting in my residence for more than a year, and don't think that any one in the house would now be willing to dispense with it. To me it is perfectly satisfactory in all respects.

Truly,

HENRY R. EDMUNDS.

BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, BURNHAM, PARRY, WILLIAMS & CO.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9, 1874.

*Pinkham & Cleverly, Electric Light Co.*

GENTS:—I have had your apparatus in use in my house, 1921 Arch Street, two years. It is working well, and we consider it one of the luxuries of the age.

Resp't yours,

CHAS. T. PARRY.

1530 North Sixteenth Street.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday morning, April 2, 1884.

DEAR SIR:—I received your note in regard to the lighting of my residence by electricity. I am very much pleased, and, moreover, I would not like to be without it. I have had it over a year, and it has given satisfaction so far, and I hope it may continue.

Yours respectfully,

MRS. A. H. DISSTON.

GEO. BURNHAM, JR., BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS.  
No. 500 North Broad Street.

PHILADELPHIA, June 4, 1884.

*The Pinkham Electric Light Co., 1018 Chestnut Street, Phila.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have had your system of gas lighting in use in my house for about five months, and am glad to say that I have found it very effective and convenient. So far it has caused no trouble worth mentioning.

Yours truly,

GEO. BURNHAM, JR.  
214 N. 34th Street.



212 N. 34th Street.

PHILADELPHIA, June 4, 1884.

*Messrs. Pinkham & Cleverly, Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co.*

GENTLEMEN:—We have had your system of lighting in successful operation in our house for over three months, and are prepared to give it our heartiest approval. It has given no trouble, and is undoubtedly of the greatest convenience.

Yours truly,

THEO. J. LEWIS.

WM. B. BEMENT & SON, MANUFACTURERS OF MACHINE TOOLS, STEAM HAMMERS, &c.  
Callowhill and 21st Streets.

PHILADELPHIA, April 18, 1884.

*H. A. Pinkham, Esq., Manager Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co.*

DEAR SIR:—Replying to your inquiry, I am pleased to say the electric lighting apparatus at my residence, introduced by you about eighteen months since, has worked satisfactorily.

Yours truly,

WM. B. BEMENT.

OFFICE OF JOHN M. SHARP, BUILDER.  
1229 Girard Avenue.

PHILADELPHIA, April 11, 1884.

*Pinkham Electric Gas Lighting Co.*

DEAR SIR:—I have been using your Electric Gas Lighting appliance in my own house for the past year. It has proved to be a great convenience, and given me much satisfaction. I have also introduced it into several houses built by me the past season, the occupants of which express themselves as much pleased with its working.

Yours truly,

JOHN M. SHARP.

HERO FRUIT JAR COMPANY.  
Gaul and Adams Streets.

PHILADELPHIA, April 12, 1884.

*Messrs. Pinkham & Cleverly, 432 Walnut St., Philad'a.*

GENTLEMEN:—It gives me pleasure to say to you that the electric gas lighting apparatus which I bought of you, and which you placed in my residence, has given me such satisfaction, as regards economy, neatness and instant execution in lighting and extinguishing, that I would not part with it for double its cost, and I cordially recommend its use to every one who uses gas.

Yours respectfully,

S. B. ROWLEY,  
1709 Arch Street.





We add the names of a few of those who have our system in use:

Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, vaults, Chestnut Street.

Fidelity Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Company's vaults, Chestnut Street.

Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company's vaults, Chestnut Street.

Provident Life and Trust Company's vaults, Chestnut Street.

Girard Life Annuity and Trust Company's vaults, Chestnut Street.

Union Trust Company's vaults, Chestnut Street.

E. R. Artman, 1715 Spring Garden Street.

John B. Stetson, 1717 Spring Garden Street.

J. J. Ziegler, 1729 Spring Garden Street.

R. Williams, 1734 Spring Garden Street.

Wm. B. Bement, 1814 Spring Garden Street.

John Willing, 1918 Spring Garden Street.

Henry Belfield, 2004 Spring Garden Street.

M. A. Furbush, 1711 Green Street.

Stephen Greene, 1812 Green Street.

F. Mende, 1814 Green Street.

Joseph D. Thornton, 2029 Green Street.

George Burnham (house and stable), 2211 Green Street.

M. Fleisher, 2223 Green Street.

C. C. Rhodes, 1511 Girard Avenue.

Mrs. Maxwell, 1909 Girard Avenue.

Daniel S. Dengler, 1912 Girard Avenue.

Robert Wilkinson, 1923 Girard Avenue.

Mrs. Clark, 1925 Girard Avenue.

John M. Sharp, 1929 Girard Avenue.

John M. Sharp (12 houses), Fifteenth and Mt. Vernon Streets.

Edmund Smith, Vice-Prest. P. R. R., 1439 Walnut Street.

Dr. D. D. Smith, dentist, 1525 Walnut Street.

Thomas McKean, 1925 Walnut Street.

J. M. Jennison, 3819 Walnut Street.

S. B. Rowley, 1709 Arch Street.

F. E. Swope, 1829 Arch Street.

Chas. T. Parry, 1921 Arch Street.

Benjamin Janney, 1933 Arch Street.

John Pearce, 1619 Green Street.

Mrs. A. E. Borie, 1025 Spruce Street.

John Sailer, 2039 Spruce Street.

J. T. Morris, 836 Pine Street.



John H. Shreiner, 1807 Pine Street.  
 John H. Cofrode, 3928 Locust Street.  
 Henry Thomas, Broad below Norris Street.  
 Thomas Elkinton, 400 South Ninth Street, also house at Media.  
 Thomas Dolan, 842 North Broad Street.  
 Wm. L. Elkins, 1218 North Broad Street.  
 P. A. B. Widener, 1252 North Broad Street.  
 Henry Van Beil, 927 North Broad Street.  
 F. H. Keith, 845 North Broad Street.  
 Henry R. Edmunds, 803 North Broad Street.  
 Charles J. Harrah, Broad and Poplar Streets.  
 Hamilton Disston, Broad and Jefferson Streets.  
 H. G. Goodrich, 2028 Wallace Street.  
 John Wood, Jr., 800 Windsor Square.  
 Charles Wigg, 810 Windsor Square.  
 Joseph Leedom, 216 Rittenhouse Square.  
 Mrs. H. S. Kimball, 4703 Kingsessing Avenue.  
 Mrs. A. H. Disston, 1530 North Sixteenth Street.  
 George J. Zeigler, Sixteenth and Oxford Streets.  
 John H. Converse, 241 North Eighteenth Street, also house at Rosemont.  
 Wm. P. Bement, 516 North Eighteenth Street.  
 Milton Powel, 233 North Eighteenth Street.  
 Wm. B. Mann, 112 North Eighteenth Street.  
 John O. Hughes, 1605 North Sixteenth Street.  
 Barton Hoopes, 624 North Eighteenth Street.  
 John J. McConnell, 1502 North Eighth Street.  
 Robert Gibson, 208 North Thirty-fourth Street.  
 E. H. Williams, 101 North Thirty-third Street.  
 George Burnham, Jr., 214 North Thirty-fourth Street.  
 Theo. J. Lewis, 212 North Thirty-fourth Street.  
 W. S. McGinley, 516 South Fortieth Street.  
 Rev. Charles W. Duane, 3709 Hamilton Street.  
 John F. Bailey, 1513 Master Street.  
 Hon. E. A. Rollins, Fortieth and Spruce Streets.  
 James Spear, Twenty-first and Spruce Streets.  
 B. Boire, Eleventh and Spruce Streets.  
 E. E. Pugh, Thirty-fifth and Baring Streets.  
 C. B. Grant, Thirty-fifth and Baring Streets.  
 Lamont Dupont, Thirty-fifth and Powelton Avenue.  
 H. H. Roclofs, 2011 Park Avenue.  
 Charles S. Caffrey & Co., 1522 Chestnut Street.  
 Belcher & Co., 511 South Eleventh Street.



David S. Cofrode, 2027 Baring Street.  
 Stockton Bates, Prest., 1900 Tioga Street.  
 S. W. Kay, 118 South Forty-first Street.  
 Joseph B. Evans, Twentieth Street and Fairmount Avenue.  
 Wm. Wilson & Sons (store), Fifteenth and Chestnut Streets.  
 Stacy, Reeves & Co. (factory), Thirteenth above Arch Street.  
 Bergner & Engell, Thirty-first and Thompson Streets.  
 Church of the Visitation, Lehigh Avenue.  
 St. Clement's Church, Twentieth and Cherry Streets.  
 Adams Express Company's stables.  
 Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Express Company's stables.  
 Union Transfer Company's stables.  
 Hoopes & Townsend, stable and works.  
 General Louis Wagner, Chew Street, corner of Locust Avenue.  
 Independence Hall (clock tower).  
 Girard College Estate.  
 Historical Society, Thirteenth and Locust Streets.  
 Camden and Philadelphia Ferry Company (tower), foot of Market Street.  
 Charles H. Potter, Prospect Street, Chestnut Hill.  
 Wm. P. Henszey (gasoline gas), house and stable, Wynnewood Station.  
 H. H. Roelofs (gasoline gas), Ashbourne Station, North Penn. Railroad.  
 Lincoln Godfrey (gasoline gas), Merion Station.  
 Frank Godey (gasoline gas), Overbrook.  
 Edward Scull, Overbrook.  
 Wm. Bault, Leiper Street, Frankford.  
 Robert Greenwood, Leiper Street, Frankford.  
 Henry Davenport, cor. of Dyer and Leiper Streets, Frankford.  
 Greenwood and Bault (two houses), Frankford.  
 Francis Stokes, Locust Avenue, Germantown.  
 Bridesburg Manufacturing Company, Bridesburg.  
 Phileman Richards, Stelton Avenue, Wayne Junction.  
 Lehigh Valley Railroad, President's private car.  
 Judge H. E. Packer, Mauch Chunk, Pa.  
 E. P. Wilbur, South Bethlehem, Pa.  
 Dr. Linderman, South Bethlehem, Pa.  
 H. S. Goodwin, South Bethlehem, Pa.  
 T. A. Wilson, Fourth and Washington Streets, Reading, Pa.  
 Newark Savings Institution, Newark, N. J.



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